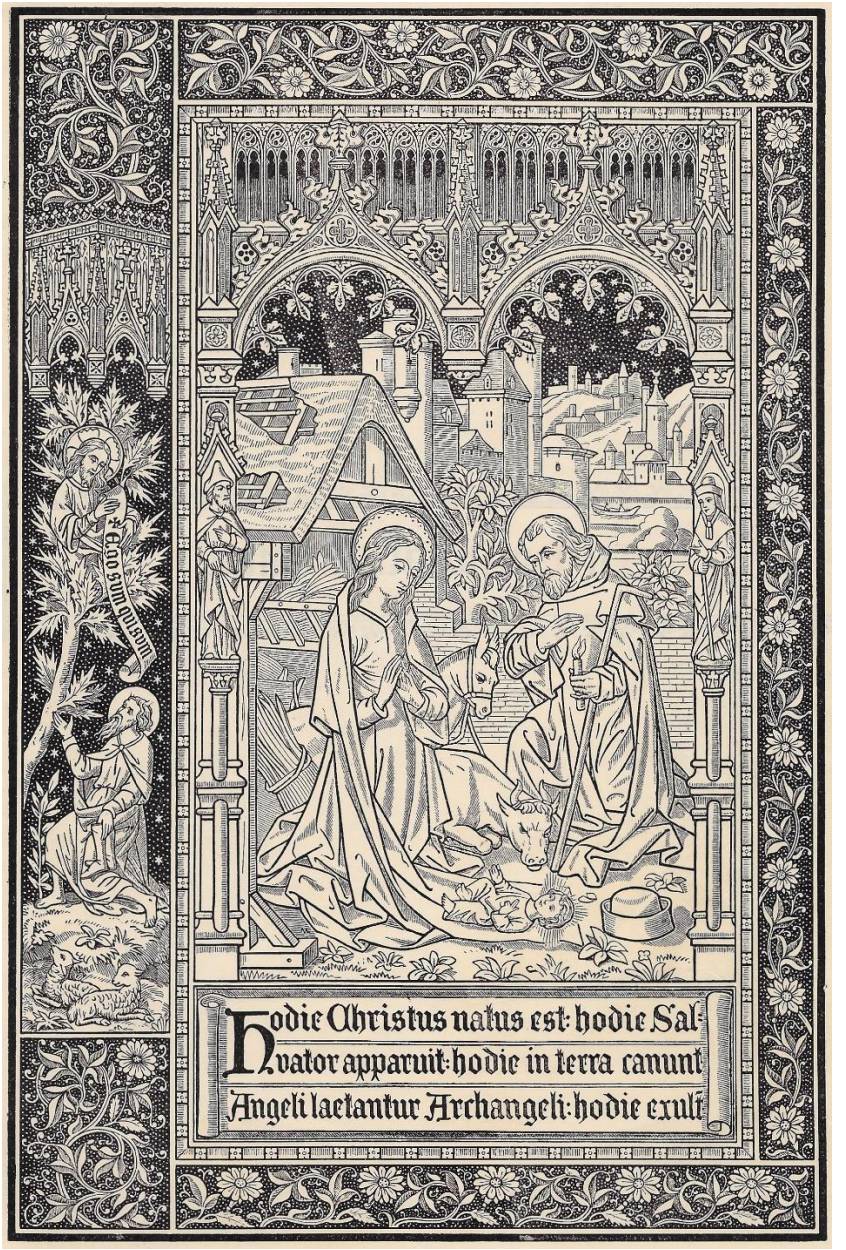
# The Nativity of the Lord




24th December 2019
The First Mass, in the Night, 11.00

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*At the First Mass, in the Night*

**Organ**—La Nativité *Jean Langlais*

*When the bell rings to announce the entrance of the Ministers, all stand.*

**Introit**—Psalm 2, 7. *Please kneel and stand as the servers so do.*

DOMINUS dixit ad me: Fílius meus es tu, ego hódie génui te. *Ps. ibid., 1.* Quare fremuérunt gentes: et pópuli meditáti sunt inánia? ℣. Glória Patri. Dóminus dixit.

THE Lord said unto me: Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. *Ps. ibid., 1.* Why do the heathen so furiously rage together: and why do the people imagine a vain thing? ℣. Glory be. The Lord said.

**Kyrie Eleison**—Missa ad Præsepe *George Malcolm*

Kýrie, eléison. *iij.* Christe, eléison. *iij.* Kýrie, eléison. *iij.*

Lord, have mercy upon us. *iij.* Christ, have mercy upon us. *iij.* Lord, have mercy upon us. *iij.*

**Gloria in excelsis** *Malcom*

*All remain standing until the Ministers sit, then all sit.*

GLORIA in excélsis Deo, et in terra pax homínibus bonæ voluntátis. Laudámus te. Benedícimus te. Adorámus te. Glorificámus te. Grátias ágimus tibi propter magnam glóriam tuam. Dómine Deus, Rex cæléstis, Deus Pater omnípotens. Dómine Fili unigénite, Jesu Christe. Dómine Deus, Agnus Dei, Fílius Patris. Qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére nobis. Qui tollis peccáta mundi, súscipe deprecatiónem nostram. Qui sedes ad déxteram Patris, miserére nobis. Quóniam tu solus Sanctus. Tu solus Dóminus. Tu solus Altíssimus, Jesu Christe. Cum Sancto Spíritu, ✠ in glória Dei Patris. Amen.

GLORY be to God on high. And in earth peace good will towards men. We praise thee. We bless thee. We worship thee. We glorify thee. We give thanks to thee for thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father. That takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art Holy. Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Jesu Christ, with the Holy Ghost, ✠ art Most High in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

*All stand for the Collect.*

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O GOD, who hast made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of the true light: grant, we beseech thee; that we, who have known the mystery of his light on earth, may also attain unto the fruition of his joys in heaven: Who liveth. ℟. Amen.

**The Epistle** *All sit for the Lesson.*

The Lesson from the Epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to Titus. Titus 2, 11–15

DEARLY beloved: The grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world, looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ: who gave himself for us: that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works. These things speak, and exhort: in Christ Jesu our Lord. ℟. Thanks be to God.

*Graduale. Ps. 109, 3 & 1.* Tecum princípium in die virtútis tuæ: in splendóribus Sanctórum, ex útero ante lucíferum génui te. ℣. Dixit Dóminus Dómino meo: Sede a dextris meis: donec ponam inimícos tuos, scabéllum pedum tuórum.

Allelúja, allelúja. ℣. *Ps. 2, 7.* Dóminus dixit ad me: Fílius meus es tu, ego hódie génui te. Allelúja.

*Gradual. Ps. 110, 3 & 1.* In the day of thy power shall the people offer thee freewill offerings with an holy worship: the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning. ℣. The Lord said unto my Lord: Sit thou on my right hand: until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. *Ps. 2, 7.* The Lord said unto me: Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. Alleluia.

**The Holy Gospel** *All stand for the Gospel.*

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit. Luke 2, 1–14

℣. ✠ The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Luke. ℟. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

AT that time: There went out a decree from Cæsar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria: and all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judæa, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem: because he was of the house and lineage of David: to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger: because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo,

the Angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the Angel said unto them: Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people: for unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. ℟ Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**1940 Hymnal N° 19**—It came upon the midnight clear *Noel*

It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth,
To touch their harps of gold;
"Peace on the earth, good will to men,
From Heaven's all gracious King."
The world in solemn stillness lay,
To hear the angels sing.

2. Still through the cloven skies they come
With peaceful wings unfurled,
And still their heavenly music floats
O'er all the weary world;
Above its sad and lowly plains,
They bend on hovering wing,
And ever over its Babel sounds
The blessèd angels sing.

3. Yet with the woes of sin and strife
The world has suffered long;
Beneath the angel strain have rolled
Two thousand years of wrong;
And man, at war with man, hears not
The tidings which they bring;
O hush the noise, ye men of strife
And hear the angels sing!

4. O ye, beneath life's crushing load,
Whose forms are bending low,
Who toil along the climbing way
With painful steps and slow,
Look now! for glad and golden hours
Come swiftly on the wing.
O rest beside the weary road,
And hear the angels sing!

5 For lo! the days are hastening on,
By prophets seen of old,
When with the ever-circling years
Shall come the time foretold
When peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendors fling,
And the whole world send back the song
Which now the angels sing.

**Homily**—Fr Alton *Please be seated.*

**Nicene Creed**

*Please stand for the Creed.*

CREDO in unum Deum, Patrem omnipoténtem, factórem cæli et terræ, visibílium ómnium et invisibílium. Et in unum Dóminum Jesum Christum, Fílium Dei unigénitum. Et ex Patre natum ante ómnia sæcula. Deum de Deo, lumen de lúmine, Deum verum de Deo vero. Génitum, non factum, consubstantiálem Patri: per quem ómnia facta sunt. Qui propter nos hómines et propter nostram salútem descéndit de cælis. *Here genuflect.* Et incarnátus est de Spíritu Sancto ex María Vírgine: Et homo factus est. *Here arise.* Crucifíxus étiam pro nobis: sub Póntio Piláto passus, et sepúltus est. Et resurréxit tértia die, secúndum Scriptúras. Et ascéndit in cælum: sedet ad déxteram Patris. Et íterum ventúrus est cum glória judicáre vivos et mórtuos: cujus regni non erit finis. Et in Spíritum Sanctum, Dóminum et vivificántem: qui ex Patre, Filióque procédit. Qui cum Patre, et Fílio simul adorátur, et conglorificatur: qui locútus est per Prophétas. Et unam, sanctam, cathólicam et apostólicam Ecclésiam. Confíteor unum baptísma in remissiónem peccatórum. Et expécto resurrectiónem mortuórum, et vitam ✠ ventúri sæculi. Amen.

I BELIEVE in one God. The Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God. Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, light of light, very God of very God. Begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father: by whom all things were made. Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven. *Here genuflect.* And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary: And was made man. *Here arise.* And was crucified also for us: under Pontius Pilate he suffered, and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures. And ascended into heaven: and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and giver of life: who proceedeth from the Father and the Son. Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified: who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead. ✠ And the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Then the Celebrant sings:*

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit. ℣. Let us pray.

*Offertorium. Ps. 95, 11 & 13.* Læténtur cœli et exsúltet terra ante fáciem Dómini: quóniam venit.

*Offertory. Ps. 96, 11 & 13.* Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad before the Lord: for he is come.

**1940 Hymnal N° 21**—O little town of Bethlehem *Forest Green*

O little town of Bethlehem,
how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.

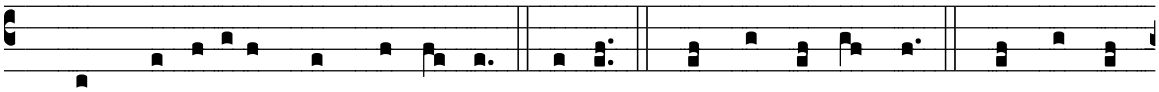
2. For Christ is born of Mary,
and gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars together,
proclaim the holy birth,
And praises sing to God the King,
and peace to men on earth!

3. How silently, how silently,
the wondrous Gift is giv'n;
So God imparts to human hearts
the blessings of His Heav'n.
No ear may hear His coming,
but in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him still,
the dear Christ enters in.

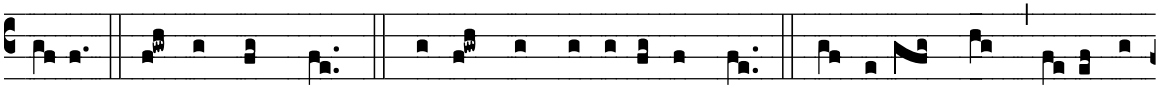
4. Where children pure and happy
pray to the blessèd Child,
Where misery cries out to thee,
Son of the mother mild;
Where charity stands watching
and faith holds wide the door,
The dark night wakes, the glory breaks,
and Christmas comes once more.

5. O holy Child of Bethlehem,
descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in,
be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
our Lord Emmanuel!

**Preface of the Nativity**



Throughout all ages, world without end. ℟. Amen. ℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy



spirit. ℣. Lift up your hearts. ℟. We lift them up unto the Lord. ℣. Let us give thanks unto our

Lord God. ℟ It is meet and right so to do.

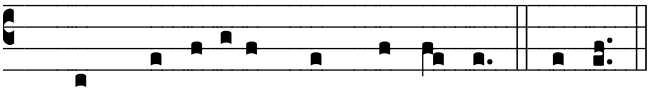
IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God: Because through the mystery of the Word made flesh, the light of thy glory hath shone anew upon the eyes of our mind: that as we acknowledge God made visible to man, we may through him be caught up to love of things invisible. And therefore with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominations, and with all the company of the heavenly host, we sing the majesty of thy glory, evermore praising thee, and saying:

**Sanctus & Benedictus** *Malcom*

SANCTUS, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dóminus Deus Sábaoth. Pleni sunt cæli et terra glória tua. Hosánna in excelsis. ✠ Benedíctus qui venit in nómine Dómini. Hosánna in excélsis.

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of Thy Glory. Hosanna in the highest. ✠ Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

**Canon of the Mass** *All kneel for the Canon.*

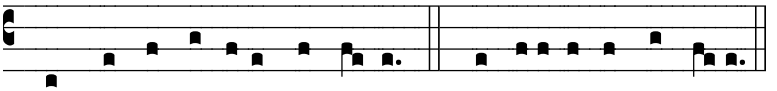


Throughout all ages, world without end. ℟ Amen.

**Our Father**

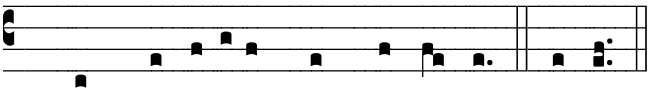
Let us pray: Commanded by saving precepts, and taught by divine institution, we are bold to say:

OUR Father, which art in heaven: hallowed be thy Name: Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread: And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us:



And lead us not into temptation. ℟ But deliver us from e-vil.

**The Pax**



Throughout all ages, world without end. ℟ Amen.

The peace ✠ of the Lord be ✠ alway with ✠ you. ℟ And with thy spirit.

**Agnus Dei** *Malcom*

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| Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi: miserére nobis. | O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us. |
| Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi: miserére nobis. | O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us. |
| Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi: dona nobis pacem. | O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace. |

**Communion of the Faithful**

*Turning to the people in the midst of the Altar, the Priest says:*

℣ Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who taketh away the sins of the world. ℟ Lord, I am not worthy, that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed. *[Repeated thrice]*

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please make your way via the center aisle to the rails, the Ushers will direct and assist you. If you are unable to navigate the steps, please alert the Ushers that the Sacrament may be brought to your pew.*

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| *Communio. Ps. 109, 3.* In splendóribus Sanctórum, ex útero ante lucíferum génui te. | *Communion. Ps. 110, 3.* With an holy worship, the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning. |

**Motet**—Young Jesus Sweit *Robert Convery*

O my deir hert, young Jesus sweit,
Prepare thy creddil in my spreit,
And I sall rock thee in my hert
And never mair from thee depart.

2. But I sall praise thee evermoir
With sangis sweit unto thy gloir;
The knees of my heart sall I bow,
And sing that richt Balulalow!

**1940 Hymnal N° 13**—While shepherds watched their flocks *Winchester Old*

While shepherds watched their flocks by night,
All seated on the ground,
The angel of the Lord came down,
And glory shone around.

2. "Fear not!" said he, for mighty dread
Had seized their troubled mind.
"Glad tidings of great joy I bring
To you and all mankind.

3. "To you, in David's town, this day
Is born of David's line
The Savior, who is Christ the Lord,
And this shall be the sign.

4. "The heavenly Babe you there shall find
To human view displayed,
All meanly wrapped in swathing bands,
And in a manger laid."

5. Thus spake the seraph and forthwith
Appeared a shining throng
Of angels praising God who thus,
Addressed their joyful song:

6. "All glory be to God on high,
And to the Earth be peace;
Good will henceforth from heav'n to men
Begin and never cease!"

**1940 Hymnal N° 33**—Silent Night *Stille Nacht*

Silent night, holy night,
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and Child.
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

2. Silent night, holy night,
Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born!

3. Silent night, holy night,
Son of God, love's pure light;
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

*All stand, then the Celebrant sings:*

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

GRANT to us, we beseech thee, O Lord our God: that we who in these mysteries draw near with gladness unto the Birth of Jesus Christ our Lord; may so walk in godliness of life, that we may be found worthy to attain unto his fellowship in heaven: Who liveth and reigneth with thee. ℟. Amen.

**Dismissal**

℣ The Lord be with you. ℟ And with thy spirit.

**Blessing** *All kneel for the Blessing.*

May Almighty God bless you, the Father the Son, ✠ and the Holy Ghost. ℟ Amen.

**The Last Gospel** *All stand for the Last Gospel.*

℣ The Lord be with you. ℟ And with thy spirit. John 1, 1–13

✠ The Beginnins of the holy Gospel according to John. ℟ Glory be to thee, O Lord.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him: and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men: and the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. *Here genuflect:* And the Word was made flesh, *Here rise:* and dwelt among us: and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. ℟ Thanks be to God.

**At the Procession**

℣ Let us proceed in peace. ℟ In the name of Christ. Amen.

**1940 Hymnal N° 12**—O come, all ye faithful *Adeste Fideles*

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels;

*Refrain:*
*O come, let us adore Him,*
*O come, let us adore Him,*
*O come, let us adore Him,*
*Christ the Lord.*

2. God of God, Light of Light,
Lo, he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Very God, begotten, not created;
*Refrain*

3. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation;
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, in the highest;
*Refrain*

4. See how the shepherds, summoned to his cradle,
Leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;
We too will thither bend our joyful footsteps;
*Refrain*

5. Child, for us sinners poor and in the manger,
We would embrace thee, with love and awe;
Who would not love thee, loving us so dearly?
*Refrain*

6. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be glory given;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing.
*Refrain*

**Station at the Crèche**

℣. ✠ Our help is in the Name of the Lord. ℟. Who hath made heaven and earth.
℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who as on this night didst cause thine only-begotten Son to be born of the blessed and glorious ever-Virgin Mary for our salvation: vouchsafe, we beseech thee, so to hallow ✠ and bless ✠ this Crib, wherein are shown forth the wonders of that sacred birth; that all those who, beholding the same, shall ponder and adore the mystery of this holy incarnation, may be filled with thy benediction unto life eternal. Through the same Christ our Lord. ℟. Amen.

**1940 Hymnal N° 236**—Once in royal David's city *Irby*

Once in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby
In a manger for his bed:
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little cChild.

2. He came down to earth from Heaven,
Who is God and Lord of all,
And his shelter was a stable,
And his cradle was a stall;
With the poor, and mean, and lowly,
Lived on earth our Savior holy.

3. And, through all His wondrous childhood,
He would honor and obey,
Love and watch the lowly maiden,
In whose gentle arms he lay:
Christian children all must be
Mild, obedient, good as he.

4. For he is our childhood's pattern;
Day by day, like us he grew;
He was little, weak and helpless,
Tears and smiles like us he knew;
And he feeleth for our sadness,
And he shareth in our gladness.

5. And our eyes at last shall see him,
Through his own redeeming love,
For that child so dear and gentle
Is our Lord in Heav'n above,
And he leads his children on
To the place where he is gone.

6. Not in that poor lowly stable,
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see him; but in Heaven,
Set at God's right hand on high;
When like stars His children crowned
All in white shall wait around.

**Station at the High Altar**

℣ Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord. ℟ God is the Lord, who hath showed us light.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin: grant that we, being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit. Through the same Christ our Lord. ℟ Amen.

**1940 Hymnal N° 27**—Hark! the herald Angels *Mendelssohn*

Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With th'angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

*Refrain:*
*Hark! the herald angels sing,*
*"Glory to the newborn King!"*

2. Christ, by highest Heav'n adored;
Christ the everlasting Lord;
Late in time, behold Him come,
Offspring of the Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
Hail th'incarnate Deity,
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
*Refrain*

3. Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die.
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
Ris'n with healing in His wings.
Light and life to all He brings,
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
*Refrain*

**Organ**—Bring a torch, Jeanette, Isabella *arr. Keith Chapman*

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| **Dave Davis & Andy Alamia** | In memory of Family & Loved Ones |
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| **Andrew & Elizabeth Nardone** | In memory of Hazel Smith & Anne Bower |
| **Joseph & Hillary Nicholson** | In memory of Virginia Nicholson; the Nicholson & Ruemeli families |
| **Edward Smith** | In memory of Chuck Thayer |

## Parish Notes

We welcome all those who are worshiping with us, and extend our best wishes to you for a blessed and happy Christmas.

**2020 Ordo Calendars** are now available. Please see Andrew Nardone to secure one. The cost is $10, and the proceeds will benefit the Boiler Fund.

**Offering Envelopes for Christmas Greens** are available on the Usher's table.

## Notes on the Music

**Missa ad Præsepe (1959)** *George Malcolm (1919–1997)*

A devout Roman Catholic, George Malcolm was Master of Music at Westminster Cathedral from 1947 to 1959. He had been trained as a concert pianist at the Royal College of Music after beginning study as the only child there at the age of seven and returning following his undergraduate studies at Oxford. But the war interrupted his fledgling career: he joined the RAF as a bandleader, organizing and conducting concerts all over England. During his time at the Cathedral after the war, Malcolm cultivated a full-throated 'Continental' style of singing in his choristers that contrasted with the more ethereal Anglican sound; it so captivated his friend Benjamin Britten that he wrote his Missa Brevis for the Westminster choir in 1959, just before Malcolm left his post there to pursue a full-time career as a harpsichordist. Malcolm wrote his Missa ad praesepe, 'Mass at the Crib,' in that same year. Its unaffected pastoral style evokes the long-standing tradition of shepherds' music for the Nativity which is perhaps most famously embodied in the instrumental 'Pifa' interlude of Handel's Messiah. Some hallmarks of this genre include drones reminiscent of bagpipes, simple tunes evoking peasant pipes or flutes, and gentle rocking rhythms.

**Young Jesus Sweit** *Robert Convery (b. 1954)*

This lovely carol, often known as 'Balulalow', has been set by many composers including Peter Warlock, Benjamin Britten, and Sandy Denny. Its text is the 13th and 14th verses of Luther's famous Christmas Eve hymn Vom Himmel hoch (From heaven on high to earth I come), translated into Scots dialect by the ardently Protestant brothers Wedderburn and first published in the 1560s. Robert Convery, who studied composition at Westminster Choir College, The Curtis Institute, and The Juilliard School, wrote this setting in 1993 as a gift for the soprano Cynthia Richards-Hewes. He says: "The motet's folk-like tenderness is meant to conjure the same gentleness with which a rose unfolds to reveal its heart."

# Christmas at Saint Clement's

*Wednesday, 25 December*

**The Nativity of the Lord**

Lauds immediately following the First Mass

8.00 Low Mass of the Dawn

9.30 Little Hours

11.00 Sung Mass of the Day

1.00 Second Vespers

**Anniversaries**

22 December Benjamin Stewart Bert, Priest, RIP (1942)

23 December Elizabeth Livingston Kelley, Benefactress, RIP (1928)
Edward Fredrick Lindley Wood, Viscount Halifax, RIP (1959)
Anne Ashburn, Benefactress, RIP (1967)
William Hampton Brady, Bishop, RIP (1996)

24 December Daniel Ingalls Odell, Priest, RIP (1925)

25 December Josephine Gertrude Barron, Benefactress, RIP (1984)

26 December Henry Clay Borden, Benefactor, RIP
Samuel Charles Borden, Benefactor, RIP (1916)

27 December Elizabeth Jackson Baker, Benefactress, RIP (1966)
Anna Irene Ramage, Benefactress, RIP (1959)

28 December Frederick Spies Penfold, Priest & Curate, RIP (1926)
Gilbert Ramsey Underhill, Priest & Curate, RIP (1937)
Thomas Barclay Prichett, Benefactor, RIP (1936)

**Kalendar**

23 December Feria

24 December Vigil

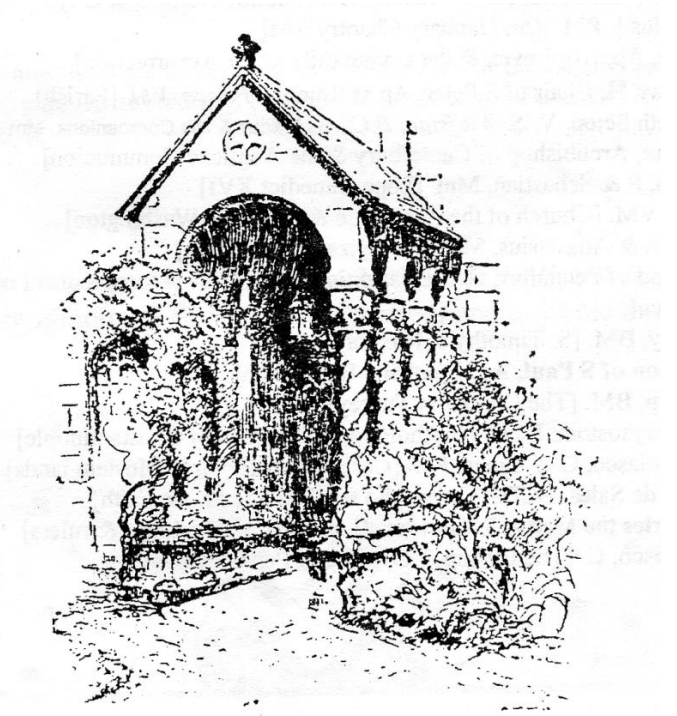
25 December THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

26 December S. STEPHEN, FIRST M.; *Of the Octave*

27 December S. JOHN, AP.EV.; *Of the Octave*

28 December SS. INNOCENTS, MM.; *Of the Octave*

29 December Within the Octave; *S. Thomas, B.M.*



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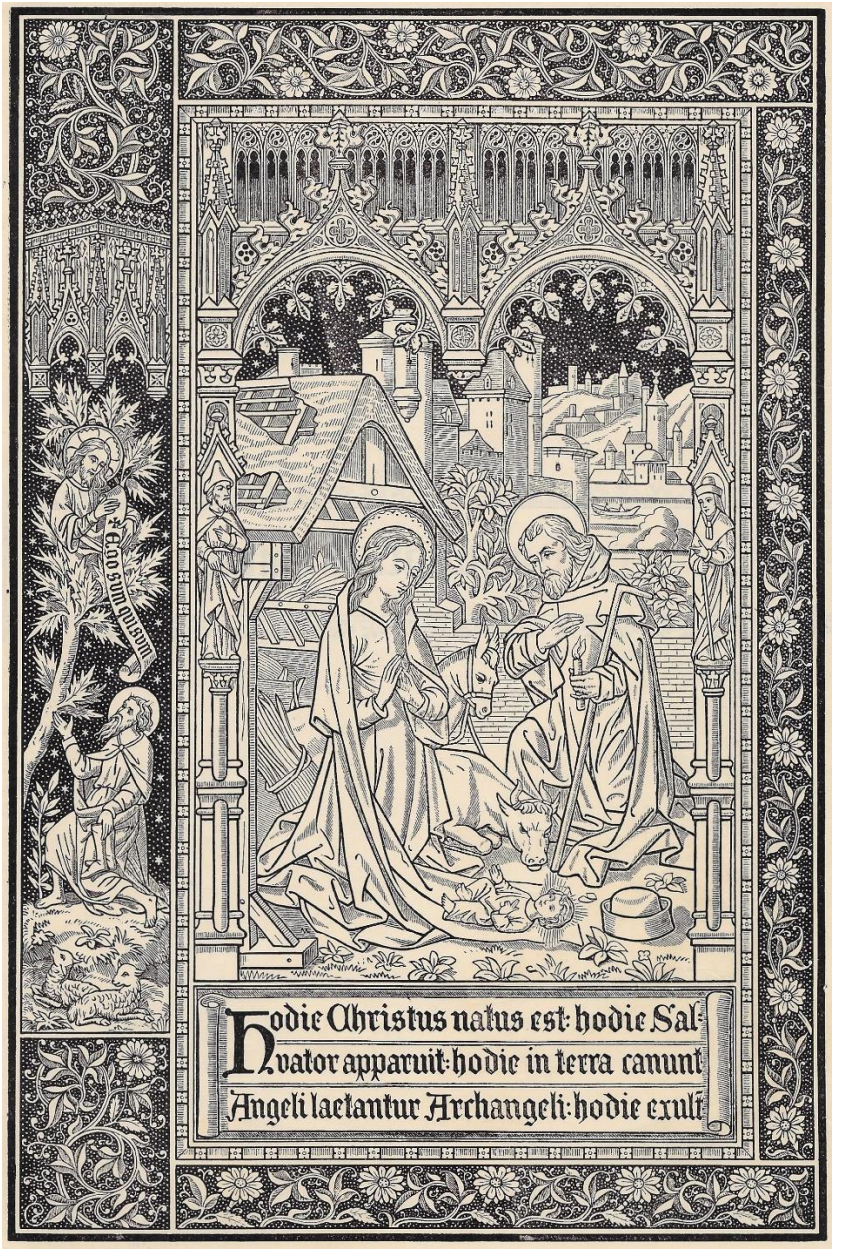
| *Sunday* | *Monday–Friday* | *Saturday* |
|---|---|---|
| Low Mass 8.00 | Low Mass 12.10 | Low Mass 10.00 |
| Rosary 10.30 | Vespers & Novena 5.30 | Rosary 10.30 |
| Sung Mass 11.00 | | (1st Saturdays) |
| Vespers & Benediction 3.00 | | Vespers & Novena 3.00 |

# The Nativity of the Lord




25th December 2019
The Second Mass, at Dawn, 8.00

# The Nativity of the Lord

*At the Second Mass, at Dawn*

*When the bell rings to announce the entrance of the Ministers, all stand. Then all kneel when the ministers begin the prayers at the foot of the Altar.*

IN the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. I will go unto the altar of God. ℟. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

℣. Give sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people: O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.

℟. For thou art the God of my strength, why hast thou put me from thee: and why go I so heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?

℣. O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me: and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling.

℟. And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness: and upon the harp will I give thanks unto thee, O God, my God.

℣. Why art thou so heavy, O my soul: and why art thou so disquieted within me?

℟. O put thy trust in God: for I will yet give him thanks, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

℟. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

℣. I will go unto the altar of God. ℟. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

℣. Our help ✠ is in the name of the Lord. ℟. Who hath made heaven and earth.

℣. I confess to God Almighty, &c.

℟. God Almighty have mercy upon thee, forgive thee thy sins, and bring thee to everlasting life.

℣. Amen.

℟. I confess to God Almighty, to Blessed Mary ever-Virgin, to Blessed Michael the Archangel, to Blessed John Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the saints, and to thee, Father: that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, deed: by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault. Therefore I beg Blessed Mary ever-Virgin, Blessed Michael the Archangel, Blessed John Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints and thee, Father, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

℣. God Almighty have mercy upon thee, forgive thee thy sins, and bring thee to everlasting life. ℟. Amen.

℣. The almighty ✠ and merciful Lord grant unto us pardon, absolution and remission of our sins. ℟. Amen.

℣. Wilt thou not turn again, and quicken us, O God? ℟. That thy people may rejoice in thee.

℣. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us. ℟. And grant us thy salvation.

℣. O Lord, hear my prayer. ℟. And let my cry come unto thee.

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

℣. Let us pray

*And ascending to the Altar, says secretly:*

TAKE away from us we beseech thee, O Lord, our iniquities: that we may be worthy to enter with pure minds into the Holy of holies. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Then, with hands joined upon the Altar, he says secretly, bowing:*

WE pray thee, O Lord, through the merits of thy Saints, whose relics are here, *He kisses the altar in the midst,* and of all the Saints: that thou wouldest vouchsafe to pardon all my sins. Amen.

*Then he begins the Introit, Is. 9, 2 & 6:*

LIGHT shall shine upon us to-day: for unto us the Lord is born; and he shall be called Wonderful, God, the Prince of Peace, Father of the world to come: of whose kingdom there shall be no end. *Ps. 93, 1.* The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength. ℣. Glory be. Light shall.

*Then he says alternately with the Minister:*

Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.

GLORY be to God on high. And in earth peace good will towards men. We praise thee. We bless thee. We worship thee. We glorify thee. We give thanks to thee for thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father. That takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art Holy. Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Jesu Christ, with the Holy Ghost, ✠ art Most High in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

*Then he kisses the Altar in the midst, and turning to the people, says:*

The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

GRANT to us, we beseech thee, almighty God: that as thou dost pour forth on us the new light of thine incarnate Word; so he who doth illuminate our minds by faith may likewise in our works shew forth his brightness. Through the same. ℟. Amen.

Let us pray.

GRANT, we beseech thee, almighty God: that we who devoutly keep the festival of blessed Martyr Anastasia; may by her effectual intercession be holpen in thy sight. Through. ℟. Amen.

The Lesson from the Epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to Titus.

*Titus 3, 4–7*

DEARLY beloved: The kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared: not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by

the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost, which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour: that being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life: in Christ Jesu our Lord. ℟. Thanks be to God.

*Gradual. Ps. 118, 26, 27 & 23.* Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: God is the Lord who hath shewed us light. ℣. This is the Lord's doing: and it is marvellous in our eyes.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. *Ps. 93, 1.* The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength. Alleluia.

*Then bowing before the middle of the Altar, the celebrant says secretly with joined hands:*

CLEANSE my heart and my lips, almighty God, who didst cleanse the lips of Isaiah the prophet with a live coal: so of thy gracious mercy vouchsafe to cleanse me, that I may worthily proclaim thy holy Gospel. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bid, Lord, a blessing. The Lord be in my heart and on my lips: that I may worthily and fitly proclaim his Gospel. Amen.

*All stand, then he says:*

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

✠ The Continuation of the holy Gospel according to Luke. ℟. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

*Luke 2, 15–20*

AT that time: The shepherds said one to another: Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste: and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered: at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them. ℟. Praise be to thee, O Christ.

*Then the Priest kisses the Gospel, saying:* Through the words of the Gospel may our sins be blotted out.

*All kneel, and the Priest in the midst of the Altar says:*

I BELIEVE in one God. The Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God. Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, light of light, very God of very God. Begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father: by whom all things were made. Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven. And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary: And was made man. And was crucified also for us: under Pontius Pilate he suffered, and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures. And ascended into heaven: and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with

glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and giver of life: who proceedeth from the Father and the Son. Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified: who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead. ✠ And the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Then the Priest announces the intentions of the Mass and annniversaries; then he kisses the Altar, and turning to the people, says:*

The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

*Offertory. Ps. 93, 2–3.* God hath made the round world so sure, that it cannot be moved: ever since the world began, hath thy seat, O God, been prepared, thou art from everlasting

*The Priest takes the Paten with the Host, which he offers, saying secretly:*

RECEIVE, O holy Father, almighty everlasting God, this spotless host, which I, thine unworthy servant, offer unto thee, my living and true God, for my numberless sins, offences, and negligences, and for all who stand here around, as also for all faithful Christians, both living and departed: that to me and to them it may avail for salvation unto life everlasting. Amen.

*Then making a cross with the same Paten, he places the Host upon the Corporal. The Priest pours in wine and water in the Chalice, and blesses with the sign of the Cross the water to be mixed in the Chalice, saying:*

O GOD, who didst wondrously create, and yet more wondrously renew the dignity of human nature: grant that by the mystery of this water and wine we may be made co-heirs of his divinity, who vouchsafed to be made partaker of our humanity, even Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord: Who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God: world without end. Amen.

*Then he offers the Chalice, saying secretly:*

WE offer unto thee, O Lord, the cup of salvation, humbly beseeching thy mercy: that in the sight of thy divine majesty it may ascend as a sweet-smelling savour for our salvation, and for that of the whole world. Amen.

*Then he makes the sign of the cross with the Chalice and places it upon the Corporal, and covers it with the Pall: then with hands joined upon the Altar, he says secretly, bowing slightly:*

IN a humble spirit, and with a contrite heart, may we be accepted of thee, O Lord: and so let our sacrifice be offered in thy sight this day, that it may be pleasing unto thee, O Lord God.

*Standing, he says:*

COME, O thou Fount of holiness, almighty, eternal God: and bless this sacrifice, made ready for thy holy name.

*The Priest washes his hands, saying secretly:*

I WILL wash my hands in innocency, O Lord: and so will I go to thine altar:

That I may shew the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all thy wondrous works.

Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house and the place where thine honour dwelleth.

O shut not up my soul with the sinners, nor my life with the blood-thirsty:

In whose hands is wickedness: and their right hand is full of gifts.

But as for me, I will walk innocently: O deliver me, and be merciful unto me.

My foot standeth right: I will praise the Lord in the congregations.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

*Then bowing slightly in the middle of the Altar, he says secretly:*

RECEIVE, O holy Trinity, this oblation which we offer unto thee in memory of the passion, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ: and to the honour of blessed Mary ever Virgin, of blessed John Baptist, of the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, of these and of all the Saints: that it may avail for their honour, and for our salvation: and may they vouchsafe to intercede for us in heaven, whose memory we keep on earth. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Then he kisses the Altar, and turning to the people, he says, raising his voice a little:*

PRAY, brethren: that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father almighty. ℟. The Lord receive the sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his name, both to our benefit, and that of all his holy Church.

*The Priest in a low voice says: Amen. Then he adds the secret Prayers:*

WE beseech thee, O Lord, that these our gifts may be worthy of the mysteries of this day's Nativity, and may evermore shed forth thy peace upon us: that even as he who was born in our manhood did shew forth therein the Godhead, so we in these thy earthly creatures may be made partakers of that which is heavenly. Through the same.

ACCEPT, we beseech thee, O Lord, the gifts which we duly offer: that, by the merits and intercession of blessed Anastasia thy Martyr, they may be profitable to the advancement of our salvation. Through.

*Which ended, he says in a clear voice:*

℣. Throughout all ages, world without end. ℟. Amen.

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

℣. Lift up your hearts. ℟. We lift them up unto the Lord.

℣. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. ℟. It is meet and right so to do.

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God: Because

through the mystery of the Word made flesh, the light of thy glory hath shone anew upon the eyes of our mind: that as we acknowledge God made visible to man, we may through him be caught up to love of things invisible. And therefore with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominations, and with all the company of the heavenly host, we sing the majesty of thy glory, evermore praising thee, and saying:

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. ✠ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*The mass continues with the Canon, on the next page.*

# THE CANON OF THE MASS

MOST merciful Father, we humbly pray thee through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, and we ask that thou accept and bless these gifts, these presents, these holy and unspoiled sacrifices. We offer them unto thee, first, for thy holy catholic Church: that thou vouchsafe to keep it in peace, to guard, unite, and govern it throughout the whole world: together with thy servant N. our Pontiff and N. our Bishop and all the faithful guardians of the catholic and apostolic faith.

**Commemoration for the Living**

REMEMBER, O Lord, thy servants and handmaids N. and N. and all who here around us stand, whose faith is known unto thee and their steadfastness manifest, on whose behalf we offer unto thee: or who themselves offer unto thee this sacrifice of praise, for themselves, and for all who are theirs; for the redemption of their souls, for the hope of their salvation and safety: and who offer their prayers unto thee, the eternal God, the living and the true.

**Infra Actionem**

UNITED in one communion, we celebrate the most sacred day, whereon the undefiled virginity of blessed Mary brought forth the Saviour to this world: we venerate moreover the memory, first, of the same glorious ever Virgin Mary, Mother of the same our God and Lord Jesus Christ: as also of thy blessed Apostles and Martyrs, Peter and Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon and Thaddeus: Linus, Cletus, Clement, Xystus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul, Cosmas and Damian: and of all thy Saints; grant that by their merits and prayers we may in all things be defended with the help of thy protection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Here the Minister rings the warning bell.*

WE beseech thee then, O Lord, graciously to accept this oblation from us thy servants, and from thy whole family: order our days in thy peace, and bid us to be delivered from eternal damnation, and to be numbered in the fold of thine elect. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

VOUCHSAFE, O God, we beseech thee, in all things to make this oblation blessed, approved and accepted, a perfect and worthy offering: that it may become for us the Body and Blood of thy dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

WHO the day before he suffered, took bread into his holy and venerable hands, and with eyes lifted up to heaven unto thee, God, his almighty Father, giving thanks to thee, He blessed, brake and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, and eat ye all of this.

For this is my Body

*Having uttered these words, he genuflects and adores the consecrated Host: rises, shews it to the*

*people, replaces it on the Corporal, and again genuflects and adores: Uncovering the Chalice, he says:*

LIKEWISE after supper, taking also this goodly chalice into His holy and venerable hands, again giving thanks to Thee, He blessed, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take and drink ye all of it.

For this is the Chalice of my Blood, of the new and eternal testament: the mystery of faith: which shall be shed for you and for many for the remission of sins

*Having uttered these words, he sets down the Chalice on the Corporal, saying secretly:*

As oft as ye shall do these things, ye shall do them in remembrance of me.

*He genuflects and adores: rises, shews it to the people, sets it down, covers it and again adores. Then with hands extended he says:*

WHEREFORE, O Lord, we thy servants, and thy holy people also, remembering the blessed passion of the same Christ thy Son our Lord, as also his resurrection from the dead, and his glorious ascension into heaven: do offer unto thine excellent majesty of thine own gifts and bounty, the pure victim, the holy victim, the immaculate victim, the holy Bread of eternal life and the ✠ Chalice of everlasting salvation.

VOUCHSAFE to look upon them with a merciful and pleasant countenance: and to accept them, even as thou didst vouchsafe to accept the gifts of thy servant Abel the Righteous, and the sacrifice of our Patriarch Abraham: and the holy sacrifice, the immaculate victim, which thy high priest Melchisedech offered unto thee.

WE humbly beseech thee, almighty God: command these offerings to be brought by the hands of thy holy Angel to thine altar on high, in sight of thy divine majesty: that all we who at this partaking of the altar shall receive the most sacred Body and Blood of thy Son, may be fulfilled with all heavenly benediction and grace. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Commemoration for the Departed**

REMEMBER also, O Lord, thy servants and handmaids N. and N., who have gone before us sealed with the seal of faith, and who sleep the sleep of peace.

*He joins his hands and prays awhile for those departed for whom he intends to pray, then with extended hands proceeds:*

To them, O Lord, and to all that rest in Christ, we beseech thee to grant the abode of refreshing, of light, and of peace. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

*He strikes his breast with his right hand, saying in a slightly louder voice:*

TO us sinners also, With hands extended as before, he proceeds secretly: thy servants, who hope in the multitude of thy mercies, vouchsafe to grant some part and fellowship with thy holy Apostles and Martyrs: with John, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicitas,

Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia, and with all thy Saints: within whose fellowship, we beseech thee, admit us, not weighing our merit, but granting us forgiveness. Through Christ our Lord.

THROUGH whom, O Lord, thou dost ever create all these good things, dost sanctify, quicken, bless, and bestow them upon us.

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God the Father almighty, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory are thine.

*He replaces the Host, covers the Chalice with the Pall, genuflects, rises, and says:*

Throughout all ages, world without end. ℟. Amen.

LET us pray: Commanded by saving precepts, and taught by divine institution, we are bold to say:

OUR Father, which art in heaven: hallowed be thy Name: Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread: And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us: And lead us not into temptation. ℟. But deliver us from evil.

*The Priest says secretly: Amen. Then he takes the Paten, and holding it upright upon the Altar says secretly:*

DELIVER us, O Lord, we beseech thee, from all evils, past, present, and to come: and at the intercession of the blessed and glorious ever Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with thy blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and with Andrew, and all the Saints, favourably grant peace in our days: that by the help of thine availing mercy we may ever both be free from sin and safe from all distress.

*He puts the Paten under the Host, uncovers the Chalice, genuflects, rises, takes the Host, and holding it with both hands over the Chalice, breaks it in the middle, saying:*

Through the same Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord.

*Then he breaks a particle from the part in his left hand, saying:*

Who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God.

*Retaining the small particle in his right hand over the Chalice, he says in an audible voice:*

Throughout all ages, world without end. ℟. Amen.

*With the particle itself he signs thrice over the Chalice, saying:*

℣. The peace of the Lord be alway with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

*He puts the particle into the Chalice, saying secretly:*

MAY this mingling and hallowing of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ avail us who receive it unto everlasting life. Amen.

*He covers the Chalice, genuflects, rises, and bowing to the Sacrament, joins his hands, and beating his breast thrice, says in an audible voice:*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.

*Then bowing, with hands joined upon the Altar, he says secretly the following Prayers:*

O LORD Jesu Christ, who saidst to thine Apostles, Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: regard not my sins, but the faith of thy Church: and vouchsafe to grant her peace and unity according to thy will: Who livest and reignest God, throughout all ages; world without end. Amen.

O LORD Jesu Christ, Son of the living God, who by the will of the Father, and the cooperation of the Holy Ghost, hast through thy death given life unto the world: deliver me by this thy most sacred Body and Blood from all mine iniquities, and from every evil: and make me ever to cleave unto thy commandments, and suffer me never to be separated from thee: Who with the same God the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest God, world without end. Amen.

LET the partaking of thy Body, O Lord Jesu Christ, which I, unworthy, presume to receive, turn not to my judgment and condemnation: but of thy goodness let it avail unto me for protection of soul and body, that I may receive thy healing: Who livest and reignest with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost God, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

*He genuflects, rises, and says:*

I WILL receive the bread of heaven, and call upon the name of the Lord.

*Then bowing slightly, and beating his breast three times, he says thrice, raising his voice a little:*

LORD, I am not worthy, *And he proceeds secretly:* that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

*And bowing himself, he takes both parts of the Host. Then he uncovers the Chalice, genuflects, collects the fragments, if there be any, and cleanses the Paten over the Chalice, saying meanwhile:*

WHAT reward shall I give unto the Lord for all the benefits that he hath done unto me? I will receive the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. I will call upon the Lord which is worthy to be praised, so shall I be safe from mine enemies.

*He takes the Chalice in his right hand and signing himself with it says:*

THE Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

*Taking the Paten, and one particle, which he holds somewhat raised above the Paten: and turning to the people in the midst of the Altar, he says in a clear voice:*

℣. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who taketh away the sins of the world. ℟. Lord, I am not worthy, that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed. [*Repeated thrice*]

*Then the Priest administers the Sacrament saying to each person:*

THE Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve thy soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

*Afterwards, he says secretly:*

GRANT, O Lord, that what we have taken with our mouths we may receive in purity of heart: and let this temporal gift avail for our healing unto life eternal.

*Meanwhile he presents the Chalice to the minister, who pours into it a little wine, saying:*

LET thy Body, O Lord, which I have taken, and thy Blood which I have drunk, cleave unto my members: and grant; that no stain of sin may remain in me, whom thou hast refreshed with these pure and holy sacraments: Who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

*He washes and wipes his fingers, and takes the ablution: he wipes his mouth and the Chalice, which he covers and places on the Altar as before: then he proceeds:*

*Communion. Zech. 9, 9.* Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Sion, shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh, the holy one and the Saviour of the world

*Then he kisses the Altar in the midst, and turning to the people, says:*

The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O LORD, who by the wondrous Nativity of thy Son hast put off from us the old nature of our manhood: grant that by this Sacrament of his new Birth we may ever be inwardly restored in our souls. Through the same. ℟. Amen.

Let us pray.

O LORD, who hast satisfied this thy family with sacred gifts: we beseech thee, that we may at all times be comforted by the intercession of her whose festival we celebrate. Through. ℟. Amen.

*Then he kisses the Altar in the midst, and turning to the people, says:*

The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.
℣. Ite, Missa est. ℟. Deo gratías.

*The Priest bows himself before the midst of the Altar, and with hands joined thereon, says secretly:*

LET this my bounden duty and service be pleasing to thee, O holy Trinity: and

grant; that the sacrifice, which I, unworthy, have offered before the eyes of thy majesty, may be acceptable to thee, and may through thy mercy obtain thy gracious favour for me and for all for whom I have offered it. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Then he kisses the Altar: and raising his eyes, extending, raising, and joining his hands, and bowing his head to the Cross, he says:* May God almighty bless you, *and turning to the people, blessing them once only, he proceeds:* the Father, the Son ✠ and the Holy Ghost. ℟. Amen.

*All stand, then the Priest at the Gospel corner says with hands joined:*

The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

*And signing with the sign of the Cross first the Altar or book, then himself on forehead, mouth and breast, he says:*

✠ The Beginning of the holy Gospel according to John. ℟. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

John 1, 1–14

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## Parish Notes

We welcome all those who are worshiping with us, and extend our best wishes to you for a blessed and happy Christmas.

**2020 Ordo Calendars** are now available. Please see Andrew Nardone to secure one. The cost is $10, and the proceeds will benefit the Boiler Fund.

**Offering Envelopes for Christmas** are available on the Usher's table.

Flowers and Greens are given to the glory of God and with the following intentions:

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| **Allister Barker** | In memory of Alfred, Charles, Cyril, Fitzwilliam, Victor & William Barker |
| **The Rev'd & Mrs. Thomas E. Beran** | In memory of Dr. Anne Bower, Fr. Vernon A. Austin, Capt. John Joseph Wilson, Helen & Erick Helmer, E. William Helmer |
| **Will Sears Bricker II** | In memory of Thomas G. Santoro, Julia Anna Bricker, Linda Bricker Price, Alice Howe Price, Craig Littlewood |
| **Dave Davis & Andy Alamia** | In memory of Family & Loved Ones |
| **Denise Glinkowski** | In memory of Sam Bivens, Joseph Glinkowski & Joseph Wildsmith, Priest |
| **Todd R. Grundy** | In memory of Edward & Nancy Hoefer, John & Nellie Grundy, Minnie C. Marble |
| **Fred & Patti Manuel** | In memory of Margaret Smith, Simon Lovell Manuel, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Manuel, Ira & Ruth Hoffman & Jeff Persinotti |
| **Andrew & Elizabeth Nardone** | In memory of Hazel Smith & Anne Bower |
| **Joseph & Hillary Nicholson** | In memory of Virginia Nicholson; the Nicholson & Ruemeli families |
| **Edward Smith** | In memory of Chuck Thayer |

## Anniversaries

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| 22 December | Benjamin Stewart Bert, Priest, RIP (1942) |
| 23 December | Elizabeth Livingston Kelley, Benefactress, RIP (1928) |
| | Edward Fredrick Lindley Wood, Viscount Halifax, RIP (1959) |
| | Anne Ashburn, Benefactress, RIP (1967) |
| | William Hampton Brady, Bishop, RIP (1996) |
| 24 December | Daniel Ingalls Odell, Priest, RIP (1925) |
| 25 December | Josephine Gertrude Barron, Benefactress, RIP (1984) |
| 26 December | Henry Clay Borden, Benefactor, RIP |
| | Samuel Charles Borden, Benefactor, RIP (1916) |
| 27 December | Elizabeth Jackson Baker, Benefactress, RIP (1966) |
| | Anna Irene Ramage, Benefactress, RIP (1959) |
| 28 December | Frederick Spies Penfold, Priest & Curate, RIP (1926) |
| | Gilbert Ramsey Underhill, Priest & Curate, RIP (1937) |
| | Thomas Barclay Prichett, Benefactor, RIP (1936) |

## Kalendar

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| 23 December | Feria |
| 24 December | Vigil |
| 25 December | THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD |
| 26 December | S. Stephen, First M.; *Of the Octave* |
| 27 December | S. John, Ap.Ev.; *Of the Octave* |
| 28 December | Ss. Innocents, Mm.; *Of the Octave* |
| 29 December | Within the Octave; *S. Thomas, B.M.* |

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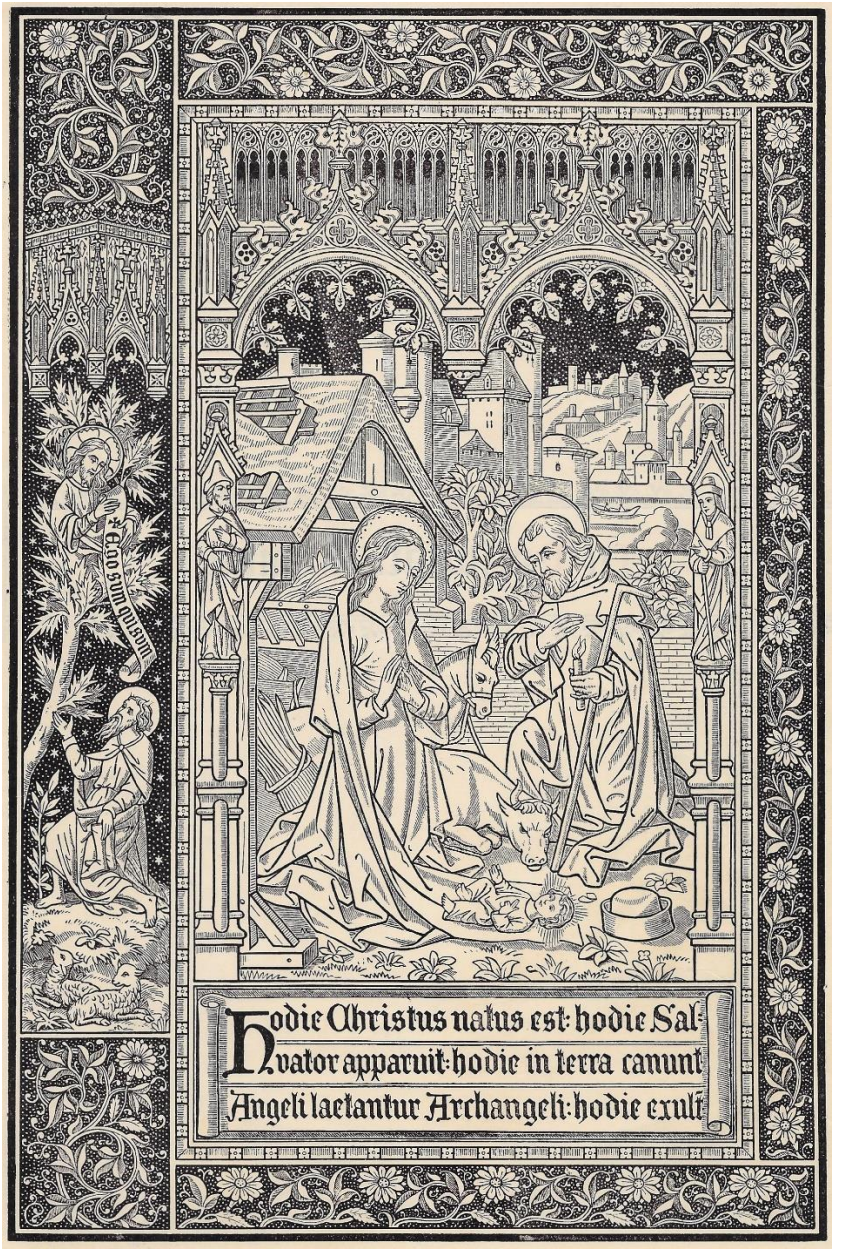
Mr. John A. Carter, *Eucharistic Visitor*
Mr. Andrew W. Nardone, *Parish Administrator & Sacristan*
Mr. Peter Richard Conte, *Organist & Choirmaster*
Mr. Bernard Kunkel, *Associate Organist & Secretary to the Rector*
The Polyphonia Society, *Choral Artists-in-Residence*

| *Sunday* | *Monday–Friday* | *Saturday* |
|---|---|---|
| Low Mass 8.00 | Low Mass 12.10 | Low Mass 10.00 |
| Rosary 10.30 | Vespers & Novena 5.30 | Rosary 10.30 |
| Sung Mass 11.00 | | (1st Saturdays) |
| Vespers & Benediction 3.00 | | Vespers & Novena 3.00 |

# The Nativity of the Lord




25th December 2019
The Third Mass, on the Day, 11.00

# The Nativity of the Lord

*At the Third Mass, on the Day*

**Organ**—La Nativité *Jean Langlais*

*When the bell rings to announce the entrance of the Ministers, all stand.*

**Introit**—Isaiah 9, 6. *Please kneel and stand as the servers so do.*

PUER natus est nobis, et fílius datus est nobis: cujus impérium super húmerum ejus: et vocábitur nomen ejus magni consílii Angelus. *Ps. 97, 1.* Cantáte Dómino cánticum novum, quia mirabília fecit. ℣. Glória Patri. Puer natus.

UNTO us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Angel of mighty counsel. *Ps. 98, 1.* O sing unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvellous things. ℣. Glory be. Unto us.

**Kyrie Eleison**—Missa 'O Magnum Mysterium' *Tomás Luis de Victoria*

Kýrie, eléison. *iij.* Christe, eléison. *iij.* Kýrie, eléison. *iij.*

Lord, have mercy upon us. *iij.* Christ, have mercy upon us. *iij.* Lord, have mercy upon us. *iij.*

**Gloria in excelsis** *Victoria*

*All remain standing until the Ministers sit, then all sit.*

GLORIA in excélsis Deo, et in terra pax homínibus bonæ voluntátis. Laudámus te. Benedícimus te. Adorámus te. Glorificámus te. Grátias ágimus tibi propter magnam glóriam tuam. Dómine Deus, Rex cæléstis, Deus Pater omnípotens. Dómine Fili unigénite, Jesu Christe. Dómine Deus, Agnus Dei, Fílius Patris. Qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére nobis. Qui tollis peccáta mundi, súscipe deprecatiónem nostram. Qui sedes ad déxteram Patris, miserére nobis. Quóniam tu solus Sanctus. Tu solus Dóminus. Tu solus Altíssimus, Jesu Christe. Cum Sancto Spíritu, ✠ in glória Dei Patris. Amen.

GLORY be to God on high. And in earth peace good will towards men. We praise thee. We bless thee. We worship thee. We glorify thee. We give thanks to thee for thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father. That takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art Holy. Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Jesu Christ, with the Holy Ghost, ✠ art Most High in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

*All stand for the Collect.*

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

GRANT, we beseech thee, almighty God: that we who through our ancient bondage are held beneath the yoke of sin; may by the new Birth of thy only-begotten Son in the flesh obtain deliverance. Through the same. ℟. Amen.

**The Epistle** *All sit for the Lesson.*

The Lesson from the Epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Hebrews. Heb. 1, 1–12

GOD, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the Prophets: hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds: who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high: being made so much better than the Angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. For unto which of the Angels said he at any time: Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son? And again, when he bringeth in the First-begotten into the world, he saith: And let all the angels of God worship him. And of the Angels he saith: Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire. But unto the Son he saith: Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom. Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity: therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. And: Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the works of thine hands. They shall perish, but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment: and as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail. ℟. Thanks be to God.

*Graduale. Ps. 98, 4–5 & 3.* Vidérunt omnes fines terræ salutare Dei nostri: jubiláte Deo, omnis terra. ℣. Notum fecit Dominus salutare suum: ante conspéctum géntium revelávit justitiam suam.

Allelúja, allelúja. ℣. Dies sanctificátus illúxit nobis: veníte, gentes, et adoráte Dóminum: quia hódie descéndit lux magna super terram. Allelúja.

*Gradual. Ps. 98, 4–5 & 3.* All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God: O be joyful in God, all ye lands. ℣. The Lord hath declared his salvation: in the sight of the heathen hath he openly shewed his righteousness.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. A hallowed day hath dawned upon us: come, ye nations, and worship the Lord: for on this day a great light hath descended upon the earth. Alleluia.

**The Holy Gospel** *All stand for the Gospel.*

℣ The Lord be with you. ℟ And with thy spirit. John 1, 1–14

✠ The Beginning of the holy Gospel according to John. ℟ Glory be to thee, O Lord.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him: and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men: and the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. *Here genuflect:* And the Word was made flesh, *Here rise:* and dwelt among us: and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. ℟ Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**1940 Hymnal N° 28**—Angels from the realms *Regent Square*

Angels from the realms of glory,
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation's story
Now proclaim Messiah's birth.
*Refrain:*
*Come and worship, come and worship,*
*Worship Christ, the newborn King.*

2. Shepherds, in the field abiding,
Watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with man is now residing;
Yonder shines the infant Light:
*Refrain*

3. Sages, leave your contemplations,
Brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great Desire of nations;
Ye have seen His natal star.
*Refrain*

4. Saints before the altar bending,
Watching long in hope and fear;
Suddenly the Lord, descending,
In his temple shall appear.
*Refrain*

**Homily**—Fr Alton *Please be seated.*

**Nicene Creed**

*Please stand for the Creed.*

CREDO in unum Deum, Patrem omnipoténtem, factórem cæli et terræ, visibílium ómnium et invisibílium. Et in unum Dóminum Jesum Christum, Fílium Dei unigénitum. Et ex Patre natum ante ómnia sæcula. Deum de Deo, lumen de lúmine, Deum verum de Deo vero. Génitum, non factum, consubstantiálem Patri: per quem ómnia facta sunt. Qui propter nos hómines et propter nostram salútem descéndit de cælis. *Here genuflect.* Et incarnátus est de Spíritu Sancto ex María Vírgine: Et homo factus est. *Here arise.* Crucifíxus étiam pro nobis: sub Póntio Piláto passus, et sepúltus est. Et resurréxit tértia die, secúndum Scriptúras. Et ascéndit in cælum: sedet ad déxteram Patris. Et íterum ventúrus est cum glória judicáre vivos et mórtuos: cujus regni non erit finis. Et in Spíritum Sanctum, Dóminum et vivificántem: qui ex Patre, Filióque procédit. Qui cum Patre, et Fílio simul adorátur, et conglorificatur: qui locútus est per Prophétas. Et unam, sanctam, cathólicam et apostólicam Eccléstam. Confíteor unum baptísma in remissiónem peccatórum. Et expécto resurrectiónem mortuórum, et vitam ✠ ventúri sæculi. Amen.

I BELIEVE in one God. The Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God. Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, light of light, very God of very God. Begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father: by whom all things were made. Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven. *Here genuflect.* And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary: And was made man. *Here arise.* And was crucified also for us: under Pontius Pilate he suffered, and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures. And ascended into heaven: and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and giver of life: who proceedeth from the Father and the Son. Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified: who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead. ✠ And the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Then the Celebrant sings:*

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit. ℣. Let us pray.

*Offertorium. Ps. 88, 12 & 15.* Tui sunt cœli et tua est terra: orbem terrárum et plenitúdinem ejus tu fundásti: justítia et judícium præparátio sedis tuæ.

*Offertory. Ps. 89, 12 & 15.* The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine: thou hast laid the foundation of the round world, and all that therein is: righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy seat.

**1940 Hymnal N° 42**—Angels we have heard

Angels we have heard on high
Singing sweetly through the night,
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their brave delight.

*Refrain:*
*Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!*

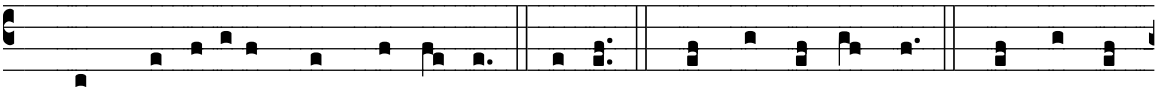
2. Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why these songs of happy cheer?
What great brightness did you see?
What glad tidings did you hear?
*Refrain*

3. Come to Bethlehem and see
Christ Whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.
*Refrain*

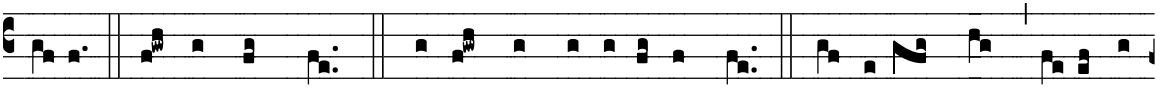
4. See Him in a manger laid,
Whom the choirs of angels praise;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
While we raise our hearts in love.
*Refrain*



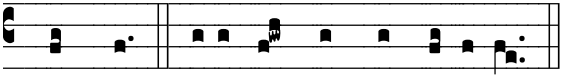
**Preface of the Nativity**



Throughout all ages, world without end. ℟. Amen. ℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy



spirit. ℣. Lift up your hearts. ℟. We lift them up unto the Lord. ℣. Let us give thanks unto our



Lord God. ℟. It is meet and right so to do.

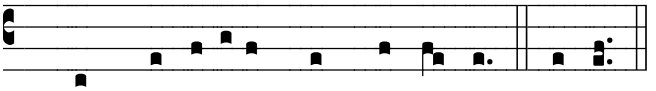
IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God: Because through the mystery of the Word made flesh, the light of thy glory hath shone anew upon the eyes of our mind: that as we acknowledge God made visible to man, we may through him be caught up to love of things invisible. And therefore with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominations, and with all the company of the heavenly host, we sing the majesty of thy glory, evermore praising thee, and saying:

**Sanctus & Benedictus** *Victoria*

SANCTUS, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dóminus Deus Sábaoth. Pleni sunt cæli et terra glória tua. Hosánna in excelsis. ✠ Benedíctus qui venit in nómine Dómini. Hosánna in excélsis.

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of Thy Glory. Hosanna in the highest. ✠ Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

**Canon of the Mass** *All kneel for the Canon.*

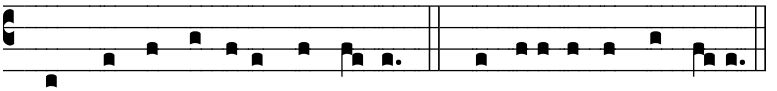


Throughout all ages, world without end. ℟ Amen.

**Our Father**

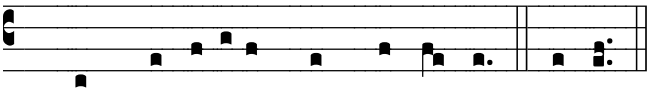
Let us pray: Commanded by saving precepts, and taught by divine institution, we are bold to say:

OUR Father, which art in heaven: hallowed be thy Name: Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread: And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us:



And lead us not into temptation. ℟ But deliver us from e-vil.

**The Pax**



Throughout all ages, world without end. ℟ Amen.

The peace ✠ of the Lord be ✠ alway with ✠ you. ℟ And with thy spirit.

**Agnus Dei** *Victoria*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi:
miserére nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi:
miserére nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi: dona
nobis pacem.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the
world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the
world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the
world: grant us thy peace.

**Communion of the Faithful**

*Turning to the people in the midst of the Altar, the Priest says:*

℣. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who taketh away the sins of the world. ℟. Lord, I am not worthy, that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed. *[Repeated thrice]*

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please make your way via the center aisle to the rails, the Ushers will direct and assist you. If you are unable to navigate the steps, please alert the Ushers that the Sacrament may be brought to your pew.*

*Communio. Ps. 97, 3.* Vidérunt omnes fines terræ salutáre Dei nostri.

*Communion. Ps. 98, 4.* All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

**Motet—** O Magnum Mysterium *Victoria*

O MAGNUM mystérium, et admirábile sacraméntum, ut animália vidérent Dóminum natum, jacéntem in præsépio: Beáta Virgo, cujus víscera meruérunt portáre Dóminum Christum, allelúja.

O GREAT mystery and wondrous sacrament, that animals should see the new-born Lord lying in a manger. Blessed is that Virgin whose womb was made worthy to bear Christ the Lord, alleluia.

**1940 Hymnal N° 319—**Joy to the world *Richmond*

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And Heaven and nature sing.

2. Joy to the world, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy.

3. No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make his blessings flow
Far as the curse is found.

4. He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of his love.

*All stand, then the Celebrant sings:*

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

GRANT, we beseech thee, almighty God: that like as thy Son, born this day the Saviour of the world, is the author of our heavenly birth; so he may likewise bestow on us the gift of everlasting life: Who liveth. ℟. Amen.

**Dismissal**

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

**Blessing** *All kneel for the Blessing.*

May Almighty God bless you, the Father the Son, ✠ and the Holy Ghost. ℟. Amen.

**The Last Gospel** *All stand for the Last Gospel.*

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit. Matthew 2, 33–40

✠ The Continuation of the holy Gospel according to Matthew. ℟. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

WHEN Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judæa in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying: Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him: In Bethlehem of Judæa: for thus it is written by the prophet: And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda; for out of thee shall come a Governor that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared: and he sent them to Bethlehem, and said: Go and search diligently for the young child: and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed. And lo, the star which they saw in the East went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary his Mother, *Here genuflect,* and fell down, and worshipped him. *Here arise.* And when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts, gold, and

frankincense, and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way. ℟. Thanks be to God.

**The Angelus**

℣. The Angel of the Lord brought tidings unto Mary. ℟. And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

℣. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. ℟. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

℣. Behold, the handmaid of the Lord. ℟. Be it unto me according to thy word.

℣. Hail Mary. ℟. Holy Mary.

℣. And the word was made flesh. ℟. And dwelt among us.

℣. Hail Mary. ℟. Holy Mary.

℣. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God. ℟. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

WE beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts: that, as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel; so by his ✠ Cross and Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. ℟. Amen.

**1940 Hymnal N° 31**—Good Christian men, rejoice *In dulci jubilo*

Good Christian men, rejoice
with heart and soul, and voice;
Give ye heed to what we say:
Jesus Christ is born today;
Ox and ass before Him bow;
and He is in the manger now.
Christ is born today!
Christ is born today!

2. Good Christian men, rejoice,
with heart and soul and voice;
Now ye hear of endless bliss:
Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened the heav'nly door,
and man is blest forevermore.
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born for this!

3. Good Christian men, rejoice,
with heart and soul and voice;
Now ye need not fear the grave:
Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all,
to gain His everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save!
Christ was born to save!

**Organ**—In dulci jubilo *Johann Sebastian Bach*

## Parish Notes

We welcome all those who are worshiping with us, and extend our best wishes to you for a blessed and happy Christmas.

**2020 Ordo Calendars** are now available. Please see Andrew Nardone to secure one. The cost is $10, and the proceeds will benefit the Boiler Fund.

**Offering Envelopes for Christmas** are available on the Usher's table.

Flowers and Greens are given to the glory of God and with the following intentions:

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| **Allister Barker** | In memory of Alfred, Charles, Cyril, Fitzwilliam, Victor & William Barker |
| **The Rev'd & Mrs. Thomas E. Beran** | In memory of Dr. Anne Bower, Fr. Vernon A. Austin, Capt. John Joseph Wilson, Helen & Erick Helmer, E. William Helmer |
| **Will Sears Bricker II** | In memory of Thomas G. Santoro, Julia Anna Bricker, Linda Bricker Price, Alice Howe Price, Craig Littlewood |
| **Dave Davis & Andy Alamia** | In memory of Family & Loved Ones |
| **Denise Glinkowski** | In memory of Sam Bivens, Joseph Glinkowski & Joseph Wildsmith, Priest |
| **Todd R. Grundy** | In memory of Edward & Nancy Hoefer, John & Nellie Grundy, Minnie C. Marble |
| **Fred & Patti Manuel** | In memory of Margaret Smith, Simon Lovell Manuel, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Manuel, Ira & Ruth Hoffman & Jeff Persinotti |
| **Andrew & Elizabeth Nardone** | In memory of Hazel Smith & Anne Bower |
| **Joseph & Hillary Nicholson** | In memory of Virginia Nicholson; the Nicholson & Ruemeli families |
| **Edward Smith** | In memory of Chuck Thayer |

**Anniversaries**

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| 22 December | Benjamin Stewart Bert, Priest, RIP (1942) |
| 23 December | Elizabeth Livingston Kelley, Benefactress, RIP (1928) |
| | Edward Fredrick Lindley Wood, Viscount Halifax, RIP (1959) |
| | Anne Ashburn, Benefactress, RIP (1967) |
| | William Hampton Brady, Bishop, RIP (1996) |
| 24 December | Daniel Ingalls Odell, Priest, RIP (1925) |
| 25 December | Josephine Gertrude Barron, Benefactress, RIP (1984) |
| 26 December | Henry Clay Borden, Benefactor, RIP |
| | Samuel Charles Borden, Benefactor, RIP (1916) |
| 27 December | Elizabeth Jackson Baker, Benefactress, RIP (1966) |
| | Anna Irene Ramage, Benefactress, RIP (1959) |
| 28 December | Frederick Spies Penfold, Priest & Curate, RIP (1926) |
| | Gilbert Ramsey Underhill, Priest & Curate, RIP (1937) |
| | Thomas Barclay Prichett, Benefactor, RIP (1936) |

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Mr. John A. Carter, *Eucharistic Visitor*
Mr. Andrew W. Nardone, *Parish Administrator & Sacristan*
Mr. Peter Richard Conte, *Organist & Choirmaster*
Mr. Bernard Kunkel, *Associate Organist & Secretary to the Rector*
The Polyphonia Society, *Choral Artists-in-Residence*

| *Sunday* | *Monday–Friday* | *Saturday* |
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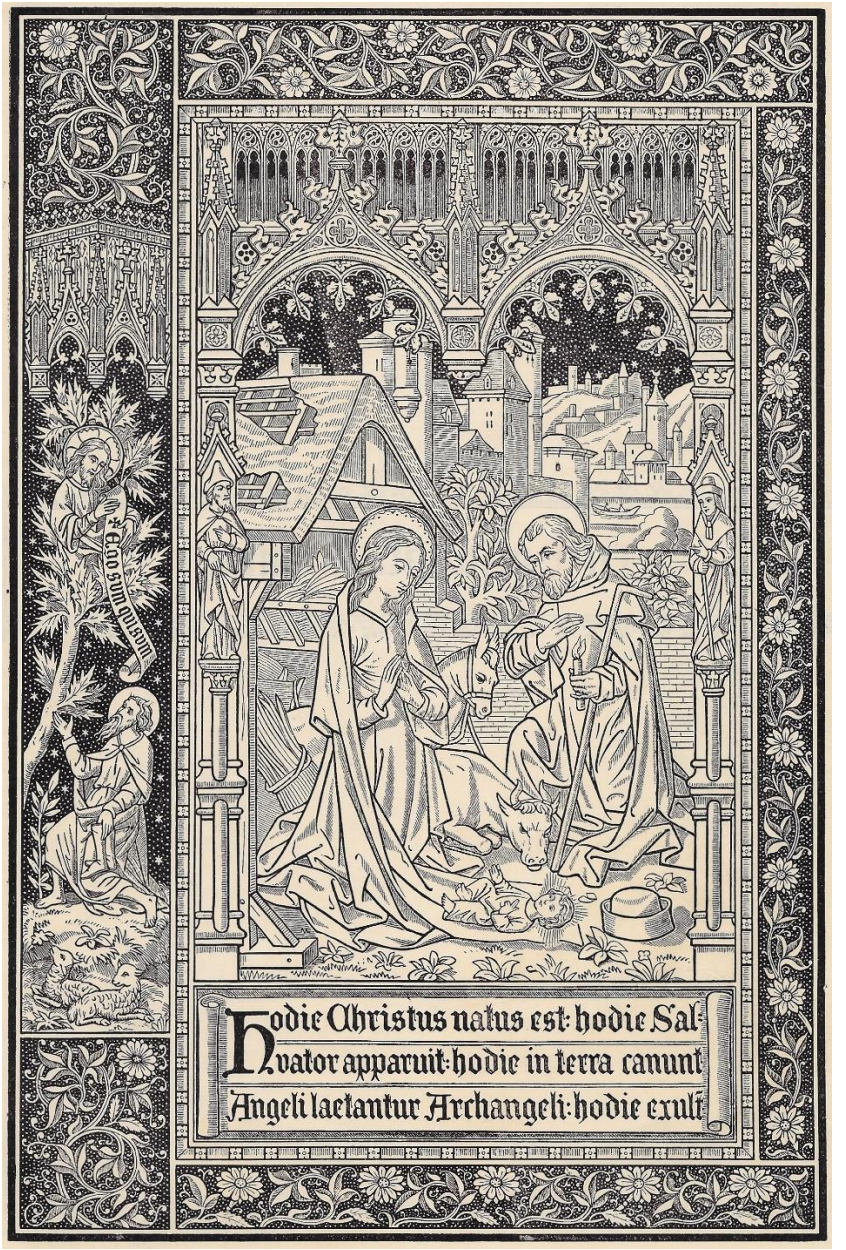
| Low Mass 8.00 | Low Mass 12.10 | Low Mass 10.00 |
| Rosary 10.30 | Vespers & Novena 5.30 | Rosary 10.30 |
| Sung Mass 11.00 | | (1st Saturdays) |
| Vespers & Benediction 3.00 | | Vespers & Novena 3.00 |

# Sunday within the Octave of the Nativity




29th December 2019
Sung Mass 11.00

# Sunday within the Octave of the Nativity

*S. Thomas of Canterbury, B.M.; Of the Octave of the Nativity*

**Organ**—Prelude on 'Orientis Partibus' *Thomas Matthews*

*When the bell rings to announce the entrance of the Ministers, all stand.*

**The Asperges**

*Ant.* Aspérges me, Dómine, hyssópo, et mundábor; lavábis me, et super nivem dealbábor. *Ps. 50, 7.* Miserére mei Deus, secúndum magnam misericórdiam tuam. ℣. Glória Patri, et Fílio, et Spíritui Sancto. Sicut érat in princípio, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen. Aspérges me.

*Ant.* Thou shalt purge me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be clean: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. *Ps. 51, 7.* Have mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness. ℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son; and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. Thou shalt purge me.

℣. O Lord show thy mercy upon us. ℟. And grant us thy salvation.
℣. O Lord, hear my prayer; ℟. And let my cry come unto thee.
℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

GRACIOUSLY hear us, O Lord holy, Father almighty, everlasting God: and vouchsafe to send thy holy angel from heaven to guard and cherish, to protect and visit, and to defend all who dwell in this thy holy habitation. Through Christ our Lord. ℟. Amen.

**Introit**—Wisdom 18, 14–15.

*Please kneel and stand as the servers so do.*

DUM médium siléntium tenérent ómnia, et nox in suo cursu médium iter háberet, omnípotens Sermo tuus, Dómine, de cœlis a regálibus sédibus venit. *Ps. 92, 1.* Dóminus regnávit, decórem indútus est: indútus est Dóminus fortitúdinem, et præcínxit se. ℣. Glória Patri. Dum médium.

WHILE all things were in quiet silence, and that night was in the midst of her swift course, thine almighty Word, O Lord, leaped down from heaven out of thy royal throne. *Ps. 93, 1.* The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength. ℣. Glory be. While all.

**Kyrie Eleison**—Missa 'Dixit Maria' *Hans Leo Hassler*

Kýrie, eléison. *iij.* Christe, eléison. *iij.* Kýrie, eléison. *iij.*

Lord, have mercy upon us. *iij.* Christ, have mercy upon us. *iij.* Lord, have mercy upon us. *iij.*

**Gloria in excelsis** *Hassler*

*All remain standing until the Ministers sit, then all sit.*

GLORIA in excélsis Deo, et in terra pax homínibus bonæ voluntátis. Laudámus te. Benedícimus te. Adorámus te. Glorificámus te. Grátias ágimus tibi propter magnam glóriam tuam. Dómine Deus, Rex cæléstis, Deus Pater omnípotens. Dómine Fili unigénite, Jesu Christe. Dómine Deus, Agnus Dei, Fílius Patris. Qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére nobis. Qui tollis peccáta mundi, súscipe deprecatiónem nostram. Qui sedes ad déxteram Patris, miserére nobis. Quóniam tu solus Sanctus. Tu solus Dóminus. Tu solus Altíssimus, Jesu Christe. Cum Sancto Spíritu, ✠ in glória Dei Patris. Amen.

GLORY be to God on high. And in earth peace good will towards men. We praise thee. We bless thee. We worship thee. We glorify thee. We give thanks to thee for thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father. That takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art Holy. Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Jesu Christ, with the Holy Ghost, ✠ art Most High in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

*All stand for the Collects.*

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, direct us in all our doings according to thy good pleasure: that we, serving thee in the name of thy well-beloved Son, may worthily abound in good works: Who liveth. ℟. Amen.

Let us pray.

O GOD, for whose Church the glorious Bishop Thomas was slain by the swords of wicked men: grant, we beseech thee; that all they who call upon him for succour may be profited by the obtaining of all that they desire.

GRANT, we beseech thee, almighty God: that we who through our ancient bondage are held beneath the yoke of sin; may by the new Birth of thy only-begotten Son in the flesh obtain deliverance. Through the same. ℟. Amen.

**The Epistle** *All sit for the Lesson.*

The Lesson from the Epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Galatians. Gal. 4, 1–7

BRETHREN: So long as the heir is a child, he differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all: but is under tutors and governors, until the time appointed of the father: even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world. But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying: Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son: and if a son, then an heir through God. ℟ Thanks be to God.

*Graduale. Ps. 44, 3 & 2.* Speciósus forma præ fíliis hóminum: diffúsa est gratia in lábiis tuis. ℣ Eructávit cor meum verbum bonum, dico ego ópera mea Regi: lingua mea cálamus scribæ, velóciter scribéntis.

Allelúja, allelúja. ℣ *Ps. 92, 1.* Dóminus regnávit, decórem índuit: índuit Dóminus fortitúdinem, et præcínxit se virtúte. Allelúja.

*Gradual. Ps. 45, 3 & 2.* Thou art fairer than the children of men: full of grace are thy lips. ℣ My heart is inditing of a good matter, I speak of the things which I have made unto the King: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣ *Ps. 93, 1.* The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength. Alleluia.

**The Holy Gospel** *All stand for the Gospel.*

℣ The Lord be with you. ℟ And with thy spirit. Luke 2, 33–40

✠ The Continuation of the holy Gospel according to Luke. ℟ Glory be to thee, O Lord.

AT that time: Joseph and Mary, the Mother of Jesus, marvelled at those things which were spoken of him. And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother: Behold this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel: and for a sign which shall be spoken against: yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also, that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed. And there was one Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser: she was of a great age, and had lived with an husband seven years from her virginity. And she was a widow of about fourscore and four years: which departed not from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day. And she coming in that instant, gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of him to all them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem. And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth. And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him. ℟ Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**New English Hymnal Nº 25**—God rest you merry *God rest you merry*

God rest you merry, gentlemen,
Let nothing you dismay,
Remember Christ our Savior
Was born on Christmas Day;
To save us all from Satan's power
When we were gone astray:
*Refrain:*
*O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy;*
*O tidings of comfort and joy.*

2. From God our heavenly Father
A blessèd angel came;
And unto certain shepherds
Brought tidings of the same;
How that in Bethlehem was born
The Son of God by name.
*Refrain*

3. And when they came to Bethlehem
Where our dear Savior lay,
They found Him in a manger
Where oxen feed on hay;
His mother Mary kneeling down,
Unto the Lord did pray.
*Refrain*

4. Now to the Lord sing praises
All you within this place,
And with true love and brotherhood
Each other now embrace;
This holy tide of Christmas
All other doth deface.
*Refrain*

**Homily**—Fr Alton *Please be seated.*

**Nicene Creed** *Please stand for the Creed.*

CREDO in unum Deum, Patrem omnipoténtem, factórem cæli et terræ, visibílium ómnium et invisibílium. Et in unum Dóminum Jesum Christum, Fílium Dei unigénitum. Et ex Patre natum ante ómnia sæcula. Deum de Deo, lumen de lúmine, Deum verum de Deo vero. Génitum, non factum, consubstantiálem Patri: per quem ómnia facta sunt. Qui propter nos hómines et propter nostram salútem descéndit de cælis. *Here genuflect.* Et incarnátus est de Spíritu Sancto ex María Vírgine: Et homo factus est. *Here arise.* Crucifíxus étiam pro nobis: sub Póntio Piláto passus, et sepúltus est. Et resurréxit tértia die, secúndum Scriptúras. Et ascéndit in cælum:

I BELIEVE in one God. The Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God. Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, light of light, very God of very God. Begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father: by whom all things were made. Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven. *Here genuflect.* And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary: And was made man. *Here arise.* And was crucified also for us: under Pontius Pilate he suffered, and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures. And ascended into heaven: and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.

sedet ad déxteram Patris. Et íterum ventúrus est cum glória judicáre vivos et mórtuos: cujus regni non erit finis. Et in Spíritum Sanctum, Dóminum et vivificántem: qui ex Patre, Filióque procédit. Qui cum Patre, et Fílio simul adorátur, et conglorifícatur: qui locútus est per Prophétas. Et unam, sanctam, cathólicam et apostólicam Ecclésiam. Confíteor unum baptísma in remissiónem peccatórum. Et expécto resurrectiónem mortuórum, et vitam ✠ ventúri sæculi. Amen.

And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and giver of life: who proceedeth from the Father and the Son. Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified: who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead. ✠ And the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Then the Celebrant sings:*

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit. ℣. Let us pray.

*Offertorium. Ps. 92, 1–2.* Deus firmávit orbem terræ, qui non commovébitur: paráta sedes tua, Deus, ex tunc, a sæculo tu es.

*Offertory. Ps. 93, 1–2.* God hath made the round world so sure, that it cannot be moved: ever since the world began, hath thy seat, O God, been prepared, thou art from everlasting.

**New English Hymnal Nº 28**—In the bleak midwinter *Cranham*

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow,
In the bleak midwinter, long ago.

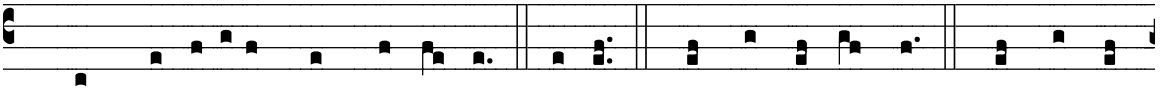
2. Our God, Heaven cannot hold Him, nor earth sustain;
Heaven and earth shall flee away when He comes to reign.
In the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ.

3. Enough for Him, whom Cherubim, worship night and day,
A breastful of milk, and a mangerful of hay;
Enough for Him, whom angels fall down before,
The ox and ass and camel which adore.

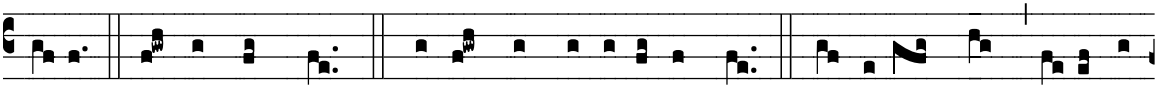
4. Angels and archangels may have gathered there,
Cherubim and seraphim thronged the air;
But His mother only, in her maiden bliss,
Worshipped the beloved with a kiss.

5. What can I give Him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
If I were a Wise Man, I would do my part;
Yet what I can I give Him: give my heart.

**Preface of the Nativity**



Throughout all ages, world without end. ℟. Amen. ℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy



spirit. ℣. Lift up your hearts. ℟. We lift them up unto the Lord. ℣. Let us give thanks unto our

Lord God. ℟. It is meet and right so to do.

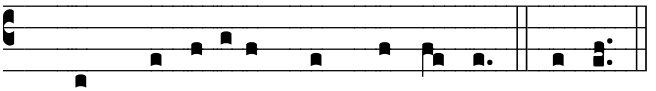
IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God: Because through the mystery of the Word made flesh, the light of thy glory hath shone anew upon the eyes of our mind: that as we acknowledge God made visible to man, we may through him be caught up to love of things invisible. And therefore with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominations, and with all the company of the heavenly host, we sing the majesty of thy glory, evermore praising thee, and saying:

**Sanctus & Benedictus** *Hassler*

SANCTUS, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dóminus Deus Sábaoth. Pleni sunt cæli et terra glória tua. Hosánna in excelsis. ✠ Benedíctus qui venit in nómine Dómini. Hosánna in excélsis.

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of Thy Glory. Hosanna in the highest. ✠ Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

**Canon of the Mass** *All kneel for the Canon.*

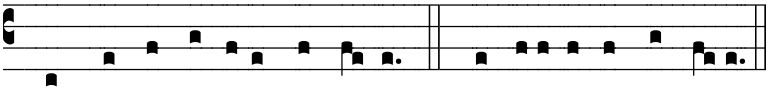


Throughout all ages, world without end. ℟ Amen.

**Our Father**

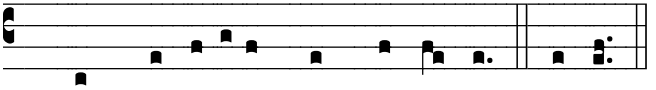
Let us pray: Commanded by saving precepts, and taught by divine institution, we are bold to say:

OUR Father, which art in heaven: hallowed be thy Name: Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread: And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us:



And lead us not into temptation. ℟ But deliver us from e-vil.

**The Pax**



Throughout all ages, world without end. ℟ Amen.

The peace ✠ of the Lord be ✠ alway with ✠ you. ℟ And with thy spirit.

**Agnus Dei** *Hassler*

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| Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi: miserére nobis. | O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us. |
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| Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi: dona nobis pacem. | O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace. |

**Communion of the Faithful**

*Turning to the people in the midst of the Altar, the Priest says:*

℣. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who taketh away the sins of the world. ℟. Lord, I am not worthy, that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed. *[Repeated thrice]*

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please make your way via the center aisle to the rails, the Ushers will direct and assist you. If you are unable to navigate the steps, please alert the Ushers that the Sacrament may be brought to your pew.*

*Communio. Matt. 2, 20.* Tolle Púerum et Matrem ejus, et vade in terram Israël: defúncti sunt enim, qui quærébant ánimam Púeri.

*Communion. Matt. 2, 20.* Take the young Child and his Mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young Child's life.

**Motet**—Dixit Maria *Hassler*

DIXIT María ad ángelum: Ecce ancílla Dómini, fiat mihi secúndum verbum tuum.

MARY said unto the angel: Behold the handmaid of the Lord, be it unto me according to thy word.

**1940 Hymnal N° 20**—Of the Father's love *Divinum Mysterium*

Of the Father's love begotten,
Ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega,
He the source, the ending He,
Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see,
Evermore and evermore!

2. O that birth forever blessèd,
When the Virgin, full of grace,
By the Holy Ghost conceiving
Bare the Savior of our race;
And the Babe, the world's Redeemer,
First revealed His sacred face
Evermore and evermore!

3. O ye heights of heaven adore Him;
Angel hosts, His praises sing;
Powers, dominions, bow before Him,
And extol our God and King;
Let no tongue on earth be silent,
Every voice in concert sing,
Evermore and evermore!

4. Thee let old men, thee let young men,
Thee let boys in chorus sing;
Matrons, virgins, little maidens,
With glad voices answering:
Let their guileless songs re-echo,
And the heart its music bring,
Evermore and evermore!

5. Christ, to thee with God the Father,
And, O Holy Ghost, to thee,
Hymn and chant with high thanksgiving,
And unwearied praises be:
Honor, glory, and dominion,
And eternal victory,
Evermore and evermore! Amen.

*All stand, then the Celebrant sings:*

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

GRANT, O Lord, that by the operation of thy mysteries we may be cleansed from all our sins, and obtain that which we have asked according to thy will. Through. ℟. Amen.

Let us pray.

O LORD, let this holy Communion cleanse us from every guilty stain: that at the intercession of blessed Thomas, thy Martyr and Bishop, we may be made partakers thereby of healing to life eternal.

GRANT, we beseech thee, almighty God: that like as thy Son, born this day the Saviour of the world, is the author of our heavenly birth; so he may likewise bestow on us the gift of everlasting life: Who liveth. ℟. Amen.

**Dismissal**

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit.

**Blessing** *All kneel for the Blessing.*

May Almighty God bless you, the Father the Son, ✠ and the Holy Ghost. ℟. Amen.

**The Last Gospel** *All stand for the Last Gospel.*

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And with thy spirit. John 1, 1–14

✠ The Beginning of the holy Gospel according to John. ℟. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him: and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men: and the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. *Here genuflect:* And the Word was made flesh, *Here rise:* and dwelt among us: and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. ℟. Thanks be to God.

**The Angelus**

℣. The Angel of the Lord brought tidings unto Mary. ℟. And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

℣. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. ℟. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

℣. Behold, the handmaid of the Lord. ℟. Be it unto me according to thy word.
℣. Hail Mary. ℟. Holy Mary.

℣. And the word was made flesh. ℟. And dwelt among us.
℣. Hail Mary. ℟. Holy Mary.

℣. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God. ℟. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

WE beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts: that, as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel; so by his ✠ Cross and Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. ℟. Amen.

**New English Hymnal Nº 21**—A great and mighty wonder *Es ist ein' Ros entsprungen*

A great and mighty wonder,
A full and holy cure:
The virgin bears the Infant
With virgin honor pure!
*Refrain:*
*Repeat the hymn again: "To God on high be glory, And peace on earth to men!"*

2. The Word becomes incarnate
And yet remains on high,
And Cherubim sing anthems
To shepherds from the sky.
*Refrain*

3. While thus they sing your Monarch,
Those bright angelic bands,
Rejoice, ye vales and mountains,
Ye oceans, clap your hands.
*Refrain*

4. Since all he comes to ransom,
By all be he adored,
The Infant born in Bethl'em,
The Saviour and the Lord.
*Refrain*

5. And idol forms shall perish
And error shall decay,
And Christ shall wield his scepter,
Our Lord and God for aye.
*Refrain*

**Organ**—Carillon on 'Orientis Partibus' *Arthur Wills*

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| *Sunday* | *Monday–Friday* | *Saturday* |
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| Low Mass 8.00 | Low Mass 12.10 | Low Mass 10.00 |
| Rosary 10.30 | Vespers & Novena 5.30 | Rosary 10.30 |
| Sung Mass 11.00 | | (1st Saturdays) |
| Vespers & Benediction 3.00 | | Vespers & Novena 3.00 |